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Dear Sir

Allow me to introduce to you the Doctor Young, a son of an old friend of mine, who visits the West in the hopes of following his profession. He comes well recommended by Professor Tellier and others who have become acquainted with him in the course of his studies and elsewhere. Any assistance or advice you may be inclined to bestow upon him will be accounted by me as a favour.

Your knowledge of the West and probably of the country he wishes to visit, may prove useful to him and you will therefore probably excuse me the liberty I have taken of addressing you in his behalf.

I remain your
obedient servant

W. Nuttall

Please run for enquiring if you have heard any thing of the Santa Fe expedition in w^{ch} Mr. Gambell went, or any thing concerning him. If you can find a moment to spare to tell me any thing about him, I shall be exceedingly obliged.



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Ans Nov. 15th
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Philad^a Nov. 3^d. 1841.

Doctor Engleman,

Dear Sir

I some time since, on the return of the
Santa Fe traders, received a letter from Mr. Gambel to whom
I took the liberty of introducing you last spring. he was
on the 24th of July at Santa Fe, & intended about the
middle of August to start for California with a party of
Americans & Mexicans, as I suppose by this time
He also said that he was sending on
to me a part of the collections he had made up to
that place by another party returning to St. Louis in
October. If any thing should arrive for me will
you favor me by receiving the same, and cause
John H. Barnard, Doctor or Druggist in St. Louis who honored
Mr. Gambel's bill of credit from G. W. Carpenter to be so
obliging as to defray the freight of the same, and charge it to
the account of G. W. Carpenter, Druggist market St. Philadelphia
As I shall be in England when the packages
arrive, I shall be again obliged to Dr. Barnard, to ship the



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same to New Orleans to the care of Brander, Wright & Co.
in New Orleans, forwarding brokers, desiring them to ship them
by the earliest opportunity to Liverpool (England), to the direction
of Thos. Nuttall, Liverpool, to the care of Mr. Crook, Esq.
Exchange Street, East. Liverpool. I am thus particular and
anxious about these collections as they will be seeds, as perhaps
some living plants, wh. will require, the most immediate
attention to preserve them alive, as wh. I intend to make
the most of solely for the benefit of Mr. Gamble,
who has thus, at the risk of life and health, as well as
considerable expense, undertaken to augment our knowledge
of a region hitherto scarcely at all explored. In favor
of you this trouble. I hope my excuse will be in some measure
the advancement of our favorite science.

A letter that may arrive by the last of this
month may still find me here, as I intend going to
Liverpool on the 1st of December. I am now busy
with bringing out an extensive addition to a new edition
of Michaux's *Sylvia*. I shall add 120 plates of species
not included in an list of forest trees.
By the bye, in the vicinity of Cincinnati
Mr. Lea, an ambitious botanist has collected and sent to
me specimens of an oak wh. we took to be

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that exceedingly rare species. The Quercus heterophylla of Michaux,
but wh. we both now consider as a distinct species. It has the
same smooth, simply lobed, ^{sub}pinnatifid leaves, the lobes entire
with setaceous points, and a conic, striated acorn in a rather
shallow cup, not distinguishable from Michaux's figure of the
fruit of Q. heterophylla, but the leaves have long petioles like the
red or black oak, and are much broader, and are
whole more allied to the Q. trichotoma; the acorns are also deep
yellow at the base. I have mentioned this tree for your
examination, as it probably grows near you. I don't like
the idea of the existence of natural hybrids, but these 2 having
oaks seem very much like it. At the same time I know
no parents wh. they can have to produce such forms
Oak is certainly allied to Q. trichotoma, and Q. coccinea
Mich., but not more than to those latter are to Q. rubra.

as Q. rubra.

Excuse the liberty I have taken to trouble

you with my concerns, but believe me

Your obliged friend

W. P. Nuttall.



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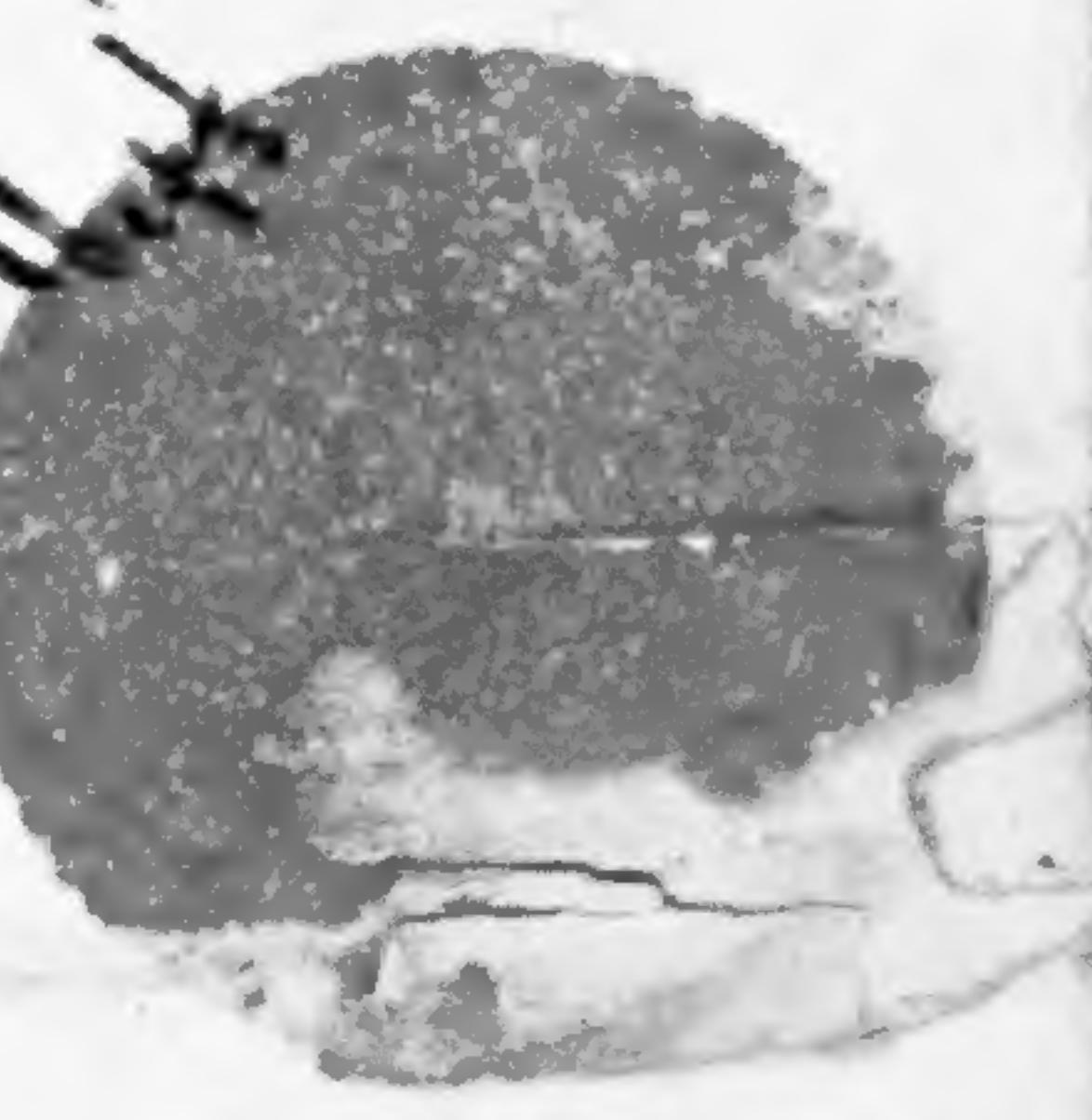
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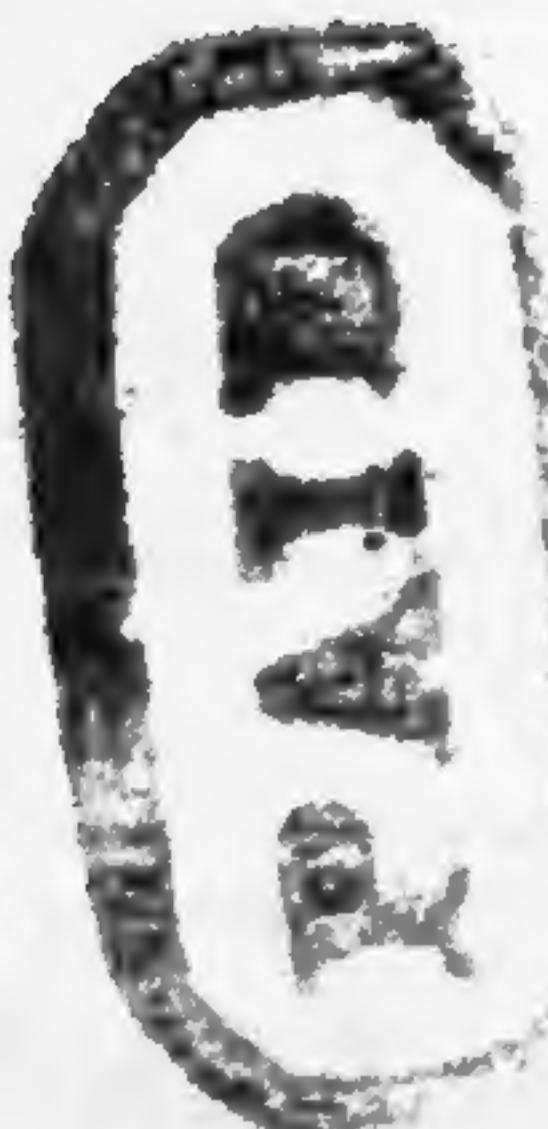
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